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Docket No.: 16564-00001-US  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Design Application of:  
Anthony L. Moffa et al.

Application No.: 10/811,238

Confirmation No.: 8999

Filed: March 26, 2004

Art Unit: 3671

For: STRETCHER SUPPORTER FOR A  
STORABLE PATIENT LIFT AND TRANSFER  
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DOING THE  
SAME

Examiner: T. L. Mayo

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

MS RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

A response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1 - 20, was due March 17, 2009. A petition for a two (2) month extension of time to respond has been contemporaneously filed with this amendment. Accordingly, this amendment, and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are deemed to be timely filed. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.